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April 16, 1936.

Watson M. Perry go left his home Upon Hill Md. 6 A M. he picked up Carleton Lingebach at his home then went to pick up Remington Kellogg at his home in Chevy Chase Mileage at start from Kellogg Home 413 Leaving Washington by Ford truck the 3 of us passed thru Falls Church, Centerville Warrenton, Massies Corner then Luray. Having dinner at Luray then proceded to New Market, Harrisonburg & Staunton we stopped for the night at a tourist camp run by ~~Gulf Oil Co~~ Gulf Oil Co. 7 miles out of Staunton (South) arriving there at 4:45 P.M.

Mileage on arrival at Tourist Camp. 585

Paid One dollar for cabin Set out 84 traps in fields, hillsides woods & stream bed in vicinity. En route we saw 3 dead ~~spotted~~ skunks, that had been run over by cars. We saw several turkey buzzards, Sparrow hawk, migrant shrike, flickers, bluebirds, Grackles Crows, Junco, Grasshopper sparrow? (In field near ~~town~~ tourist camp). (South of Staunton) Altitude at tourist camp 1934 ft. ~~The rest~~

Green heron was seen on creek near tourist camp We did not do any bird collecting because the land owners told us they rather we wouldn't shoot.

April 17, 1936.

We ~~Arose~~ at 5:45 cooked breakfast washed dishes. then left camp to collect traps set out the 15 of April. Caught 2 Blarina 1 microtis 2 peromyscus. some of the microtis were damaged so we destroyed them. Bear skull was donated by W. W. Strickler Route #2 Staunton Va. Bear Skull came from Cold Springs Va Jan & Feb 1935. Left Tourist camp at 10:30 AM ~~Da~~ 7mi. South of Staunton. Between Staunton & White Sulphur Spring we saw. Robins Sparrow hawk, bluebird, buzzard. grackle, quail, starling, mourning dove, Chimney swift, bank swallow, downy woodpecker, Red-wing blackbird. On the road we saw a dead rabbit & a ruffed grouse we stopped & picked it up. North Mountain at an elevation of about 800 feet. Between Lexington & White Sulphur Springs a number of Turkey buzzards were seen. arrived at Maple Grove tourist Camp. 4 miles east of Sulphur Springs at at 3 P.M. mileage 691. We set out 61 traps along a short flowing mountain stream between rocks, stumps & logs.

In Maple Grove Tourist Camp there were several pairs robins, tufted titmouse and cardinals

April 18, 1936.

Arose 6:15 AM Left camp to run trap line caught 1 blarina. & left traps out. Had Breakfast. Began to snow at 6:45 AM & continued thru day with snow flurrows Climbed mountain east of Kates to collect. alt. 3025. Collected 2 thrushes 2 Black & White creepers 1 downy woodpeck. 2 chickadees 1 chipping sparrow. The chickadees were numerous. Saw robins & flickers but could not get up to them.

If in this section in the fall stop at Maple Grove Tourist Camp. Take first dirt road to left going to Sulphur Spring follow this to Log shack & dance hall at foot of mountain, take the ravine to the left & follow stream past log house. Along stream there are abundant holes under dead logs, moss, rocks & near falls of stream. Look here for Flying Squirrel & Fox Squirrel. This is the Type Locality. alt at Maple Grove. about 2250 ft. Collected 1 kinglets & a Black-Throated green warbler.

Two grouse were seen several squirrel nest were seen but no squirrels.

Kinglets and black throated green warblers are very abundant in the pine trees

Sunday

April 19, 1936

Arose 6 A.M. Ran trap line caught one shrew & one Junco. Left tourist camp at 8:45 A.M. (Maple Grove) Mileage 691 Between Maple Grove & Wilson's Farm Cabin Camp we saw. Starlings many Grackles, Meadowlark, Crows, R.W. Blackbird, Robins, English Sparrows, Ringneck Duck in a pond by side of road. Bluebirds, Buzzards, Flickers Barn Swallows Chimney Swifts, Purple Martins.

Highest Mountain on route Mount Sewell alt 3170, Gauley Mt. 1360 ft Coal Mt 985 ft West of St Albans. Arrived at Wilson's Farms Cabin Camp at 3:30 roads very rough. mileage 885 Traveling 164 miles. Weather ~~very~~ cloudy + cold. with snow on Sewell Mt 3170 alt. Clouds began to break Coal mountain clearing quickly by the time Wilson's Farms was reached, getting slightly warmer by dark. with wind Clouds in the sky. Set out 61 small traps & 6 larger for flying squirrels around camp.

The woods in the mountains are very bare they are just about the same as January.

April 20, 1936.

Arose 6:A.M. Ran trap line Breakfast. Then went into Huntington to buy groceries + etc. Wilsons Farm Camp 3 miles & 6 tenths to the city limits + 3 miles to center of town Collected 1 Lark, Yellowbellied Sapsucker 2 Cardinals, Towhee, 2 Purple Finch, Ruby crowned Kinglet Gnatcatcher. Tufted titmouse, 2. Hermit Thrushes, W.T. Sparrow + 1 rabbit. Found holes under trees + stumps that looked like Ground hog, 2 Skunk +, Fox we will set these tomorrow. Set 37 traps in Hills Farm. + 2 mole traps in Cemetary. also some in ~~the~~ field off River. Weather was warm with a southwest wind the sky was clear.

There were several flocks of purple finches which were no doubt migrating through

April 21, 1936

Arose 5:30 A.M. Breakfast, Ran trap line. 2 Blarina, 2 microtis, 1 Peromyscus. Then Collected some birds 1 flicker, 2 purple finches 1 yellow-bellied sapsucker, 1 chipping sparrow, 1 prarie warbler, 1 song sparrow 4 gold finches, 1 chickdee - ~~In the evening at~~ Set traps along Guyandote River for ground hog, chipmunk, In the evening we set traps a long rock ledge for skunk. It was raining very hard & we got soaked

On the Guandotte River I saw the largest flocks of goldfinches I have ever seen.

April 22, 1936.

Arose 6:00 A.M. ran trap line on road caught 1 female opposum with 12 young in pouch. Breakfast Ran trap line in Hills Farm & Cemetary. caught 2 microtis 1 blarina. caught on Guyandote River 1 peromyscus. 3 blarina Then left camp to collect birds 12 mi West 00 near Logan W. Va. reading of mileage opposite Logan Country Club 932. mileage reading on return to Wilsons Farm 982 miles. on return 945 mileage reading Hemlock forest at 947 ~~and~~ another Hemlock Forest at 969 there was a large wooded area. on mountain side. The small towns passed through on return were Ferrelsburg, Hartz, Ranger, Midkiff, Sheridan, West Hamlin, Salt Rock, all of which were formaly mining towns On Mountain opposite Logan Club We collected 1 chipmunk & 14 small birds, In the morning 2 were collected on Guyandote River while running trap line 3 mi East of Huntington A young fellow by the name of Alvey Taylor who showed us about the Mountains near Logan Club. The roads were rough & some places had to be filled with rocks that were crushed making travel very slow.

Several pairs of broad wing hawks were seen flying about this area. I believe the towhee is the most common bird here. Tufted titmice probably are second in number cardinals are fairly abundant birds are very hard to collect owing to rough country

April 23, 1936

Arose 6:30 A.M. Ran trap line on road with no results Breakfast left cabin to run line on Grandote bottomland caught 1 peromyscus 2 blarina Left camp to go south of Dunlow Route 52 West Va. crossed Route 60 near Post Office in Huntington. Mileage leaving Wilsons Farm 985 upon arrival at 1½ miles south of Dunlow mileage 1084 Collected 10 birds Left Dunlow 4:05 P.M. returning through Radnor, Genoa, Coleman, Echo, Wayne Huntington. At reading 1086 Large Hemlock forest 1073 Good hard wood beyond Wilson Creek 1077 Took in old field for trapping 1081 Pines Oak trees, set traps near ~~Head~~ Beech Fork Creek on top of hill. Birds seen Osprey Kingfisher Yellow ~~&~~ Warbler. We took up all traps in Bottomland. Towhee, Chickadee + Titmice the ~~most~~ common birds seen The roads on Route 52 were very bad except for small stretches

We collect on mt east of Route 52 in ~~what~~ which is apparently a virgin forest was surprised at the scarcity of bird life no mammal were seen the hill people here ~~say~~ said, that they hadn't had any meat for several months and had to shoot birds + etc to eat. saw ~~the~~ one B.L. chr. blue warbler

April 25, 1936.

Arose 6:30 A.M. Breakfast. Ran trap line on road one trap was off. Then left for The Wilson Estate one more trap was off. Caught one blarina in squirrel scyler. Left for Farrs. Place to collect Red Shouldered Hawks egg. We waited for the female to return so we could get her but with no results. Left eggs in nest until able to get her. Collected 2 Cowbirds + 1 bittern ♀. Left for Mill Branch. a distance of 6 mi South ~~of Huntington~~ of Wilson Farms Camp by way of Barboursville Road to Mill Branch were in good condition The Weather has been fair with few clouds in Sky, nights very frosty + cold. also collected 2 lizards.

Several prairie warblers, black throated green warbler and blue gray gnat catchers one crow nest one coopers hawk were seen

April 24, 1936

Arose 6:30 A.M. Ran traps on road near camp. Breakfast. & Went to the Wilson Estate to look for moles Lawns were undermined with burrows Set 6 mole traps + 6 gophers set 4 squirrel scylers She went to Tarrs place in back of Wilsons Estate, Found Red shouldered Hawks nest in Beech tree ~~co~~ climbed it to find 3 eggs. the ~~trash~~ ~~was~~ ~~a~~ new one. also found groundhog burrows in wheat field + on Gobyandot River bank. Collected 6 birds 2 moles — Birds are very scarce in the Huntington section.

Sunday. April 26, 1936.

Ran traps on road caught one groundhog & Ran traps on Wilson's Estate caught one hairy tail mole & skinned + made up. Weather was cloudy raining occasionally. Saw several yellow warblers.

The moles caught to date have not been trap in the mole traps, they have been caught by digging them up.

April 27.

Ran traps on Wilson Estate, ran traps on road in rocky cliffs. Left for Logan mileage 178. To collect birds & set traps #1 section 13 mi - #2 section 35 mi - #3 section 37 mi. Set 31 traps in 35 mi section set 24 traps in 37 mi Hemlocks. In the Hemlocks - Wood Thrush Redstart Cardinal Tufted titmice plentiful On return stopped at 13 mi area of hard wood trees to collect birds. Copperhead snakes were plentiful in this section. Mr Gill was the trapper living in Huntington, W. Va. this place is opposite Tyler Creek or South East. Stopped in Harts for gas Talked to attendant. G.B. Farley told us the following Black-snakes, groundhogs plentiful Skunks squirrel chipmunks scarce because of woods burning out. Fox squirrel scarce Red Fox, Grey Fox plentiful Raccoons Bobcats & Spotted skunk.

Collected one warbler in hemlock grove along creek which I thought to be worm eating? one nashville was collect here. red starts are very abundant in hemlock

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April 28.

Ran trap lines on Wilson Estate & on road. Left for traps near Logan. In 37 mi Hemlocks caught 2 blarina & 1 lizard. 2 queensnakes & 1 water snake none not known. In 35 mi Hemlocks 1 blarina 1 peromyscus. Collected birds in place known as 14. - collected 14 birds. Ground hogs & ground squirrels plentiful Rattle snakes & copperheads scarce few skunks. Collecting ground very good & decided to return 3rd April 29.

Saw a pair turkey vultures near Fourteen Some people claimed we would not see any buzzard in this area. a man has promised to show us where they nest.

Kentucky warblers are common Broadwing hawks well seen also scarlet tanagers blue gray gnat catchers flickers crows were seen

April 29.

Ran traps on Road + Wilson Estate.
Left for "14." Took left side of road
on way to Logan. at a lumber camp.
This Country rough + rocky. Found
Pileated Woodpecker plentiful also called
"Wood Hen" or "Indian Hen". Found Wood
rat + Fox dens on rocks overlooking
Gyandotte At night went on a Coon
hunt with some men from Huntington
Left Camp at 8. P.M. + returned at 5:00
A.M. from 8 mi north of Point Pleasant
on return caught an opposum on road near
camp.

Went to buzzard nest and found that foxes had taken over nest.
Saw one grouse

April 30.

Ran traps + rested up from Coon hunt
Skinned out + made up birds from
April 29.

~~Sept~~ May 1.

Left for Allenbow Lodge on after running traps mileage 1540. Stopped at places where traps were to be set out in Hemlock woods 38 mi from camp. found no sign of mice or squirrels. Fields had been plowed up. Roads were very rough making travel slow Buzzards scarce only 4 being seen in 2 weeks stay. Blue Jay & crows not common in section. Only 2 crows nests found on Lamarons Farm opposite Poe's Raven. Tourist Camp on Route 52.

May 2.

Left camp 8 to collect Red shouldered Hawks eggs on Farrs Farm. Collected Male Hawk & eggs. on return home from trip eggs began to hatch. & by 10:00 P.M. 4 Hawks had hatched out. Took up all mole traps on Wilsons Estate.

May 3. Sunday.
Went in to Huntington for church.
Took up trapson road. Made up 11
birds.

May 4.
Packed truck to leave for Section #2
Summerville West Va. Mileage 1743
En route saw Bank swallow chimney swift.
+ duck hawk, goldfinch near Kanawaha
Falls. Saw chimney swift + buzzard 8 mi.
north of Gualey Bridge. Mileage upon
arrival at Uncle Toms Cabin. where we
made camp. 1870 a distance of 127 miles
by route 60. thru Charleston. to Gauley Bridge
then taking route 19 to Camp 6 mi west of
Summerville. Also saw several yellow
warblers en route.

May 5, 1936.

Left camp to set traps on creek by route 19 Peters Creek west of Gilboa. Set 22 traps along old rail fence at edge of old corn field. Collect. 15 birds. Saw whippowill & Grouse in Laurel bushes beside old rail bed. & a Broad Wing Hawk in woods. Set 12 traps in old rock pile beside rail bed.

May 6. 1936.

Ran traps caught. 2 peromyscus. 1 Pine mouse. 1 yellow breasted Chat. collected. 2 rabbits. 1 Flying Squirrel. & 5 birds. Saw many Redstarts, Towhee & Tufted tit mice.

Saw two buzzards in tree near camp.

May 7, 1936.

Ran traps - no catch. Collected 12 birds.
1 mile east of Jela. in the mountains.
Altitude at Summersville. 1896 ft.
at Uncle Tons Cabin. 1870 ft. Saw on
Peters Creek. 1 Solitary Sandpiper.

Cardinals are common here

May 8, 1936

Caught 2 mice in traps Pine creek area.
saw hummingbirds. Dr Wetmore came for
the week end. Also saw crows Jays, Burrgoss
Pewee, Indigo bunting, chipping sparrow, song
sparrow, flicker, robin, towhee, Redstart, vireo.
Saw three cerulean warblers in virgin forest

May. 9, 1936.

Ran traps caught one fine mouse.
Went with Lt Wetmore to Cranberry Glade.
on Cranberry River alt 3300 ft. Summersville
to Richwood - then left to C.C.C. Camp.
Cranberry. a distance of 67 miles. 15 miles
from C.C. Camp. collected some birds. Saw
Canada warblers. several song sparrows two of
which were collected. several Rosebreasted Gros-
beaks, catbirds robins, flickers + ruffed grouse
were frequently heard drumming + 2 were seen
one carolina junco was seen + collected. also
Belted Kingfisher was seen. Small mammal
traping looks very promising.
also saw Redtail hawks goldenwing
warblers magnolia and chestnut sided warblers

May 10 Sunday.

Lt Wetmore had breakfast + left for
Washington after breakfast. We straightened
up camp. cleaned guns, washed car + got things
in general order. Then took a drive of about
30 miles north of camp to look over territory
to be covered during week Muddelty Creek
being the most promising. Birds seen were
Grackles, Redwing blackbirds, blue jay, Robins
buzzard, bluebirds. song sparrows, meadowlark.

May 11, 1936.

Ran traps, Had car serviced, Went to Muddlety Creek to collect birds of which were; Meadowlark, R.W. Blackbird, Sora, Robin, Brown Thrasher, Chipping Sparrow, Black & White Creeper. Wood Thrush. The most common seen were. Red Starts, Goldfinch. Robins;. R.W.B. Bird. Cowbird. Red Eyed Vires. In the evening set 32 traps in Hemlocks near camp. 8 traps in brush piles on hills.

May 12, 1936.

Ran traps & took up 22, Set 100 on Peters creek in Hemlock & Hardwood trees. Left for Muddlety Creek to set traps on Farm of Mr Lee A Tinnel. Set 63 traps in meadows & along stream. Collected 1 meadowlark, 1 R.W. Blackbird. Weather rainy. Caught 1 peromyscus, 1 Tamias.

May 13, 1936

Ran traps on Peters creek near Gilboa
Left for traps in Muddlety Creek section.
many traps off due to rainy weather. It
has been rainning for about a day & a half.
Collected 8 birds by riding country roads
3 of these birds were song sparrows.

May 14, 1936.

Ran trap lines. caught 2 peromyscus 1 chipmunk
1 rat on Peters Creek, Gilboa. 1 microtus at
Muddlety Creek then collected birds on
Tinpel Farm... Saw Red-Tailed Hawk and heard
others screaming on mountain. collected 8
birds. Swamps & lands where traps were
set seemed to have been under water during
winter. We are going to move some traps
to places along fences. May 15.

May 15

Ran traps on Peters creek. Set out 75 traps in hemlocks above creek. Then to set more traps on Tinnels Farm set 100 traps. Then went to Buck's Garden north about 5 miles Gilboa. by dirt road near Uncles Tops Cabins. Birds seen. Pileated Woodpecker, Wood Thrush, Louisiana Water-Thrush 6 quail, Bluebird, Kingbird, R. W. Blackbird, Cardinal, Cowbird, Vesper Sparrow.

Buck's Garden is a small track of virgin timber.

May 16. 1936.

Ran traps on Peters Creek & Tinnel farm. Caught 1 groundhog & 1 young, 1 microtis. 1 peromyscus, 1 tamias, then went to Persinger to collect birds. collected 1 Heronbird. 2 blue jays, 1 white eyed vireo, 1 Thrush, 1 water thrush 1 flicker. 1 Black-throated green. Birds seen. 1 Grouse, Black-billed Cuckoo. Maryland yellow throats, Crows, Thrushes. Cardinal Yellow breasted Chats. catbirds song sparrows.

The country along Persinger is rather heavily forested with hemlocks.

Sunday. May 17, 1936

Ran traps + took up all. no catch.
Made up few skins from May 16, Straight.
end camp to prepare to move to #3 area
Grantsville. Saw Goshawk near Muddlety.

pvsd returned a.w.

May 18, 1936

decided to stay in Gra Summersville to collect in area that we found on may 17
This area was 5 miles north of Drennon
Birds seen but not collected. R.W. Blackbird, Robins, Meadowlark, Pileated Woodpecker. Redheaded Woodpecker. Cowbirds abundant, Barn Swallow, Bugguard, Red + Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers Kentucky Warbler, Hooded Warbler, Crested Flycatcher. Flicker. Waxwings; Red Eyed Vireo, Crows, Scarlet Tanger, Song Sparrows,

May 19, 1936.

Packed truck & left for Grantsville #3 area. Arriving here were unable to find cabins or place available to camp within 30 miles were compeled to take a room in The Rainbow Hotel. Returned to Belva by Route 19 then taking route 16 thru Hyde, Bentree, Ligemores, Brickmore Hartland, Clay, Ivydale, Big Otter, Chloe, Minnora, Millstone Mt. Zion, to Grantsville. En way to # Grantsville we stopped & tried to collect Roughwinged Swallows.

We made arrangements to stay in the Owens Boarding House because of bedbugs we moved to Rainbow Hotel May 20.

May 20, 1936.

Went to Little Kanawha River 5 miles north of Grantsville. Found some fairly good areas to set mammal traps. but even these do not look very promising due to the hard winter & high water. Bids seen. Humming Bids, Goldfinches, Orchard Oriole, Field Sparrow Broadwing Hawk, Crows, Crested Flycatcher, Summer Tanger, Bluebids, Pewee, Indigo Bunting, Yellowbreasted Chats, Cardinal, Blue Graynatchatcher. 2 seen & collected, 1 King bids. Flicker, Buzzards.

May 21, 1936.

Went to area south of Big Bend near Reed. Saw the following. Bluebirds, Quail, Kingbird, Indigo Bunting, Crested Flycatcher. Pewee, Bank Swallows, Cooper's Sharp-shinned Hawk, Buzzard, Towhee, ♂, Cardinals, Song Sparrow, Field Sparrow, Chickadee, Nuthatch. Pewee, Cat birds, Red Eyed vireo, Chats,

May 22, 1936.

Went to Big Springs, Smithville, Mac-Farlan, Walker, Collected 14 birds Summer Tanger, Cardinal, 3 Pewees, Horned Larks, Kentucky Warblers, Indigo Buntings, Kingbird, Robin, Yellow Bellied, Chat, Chipping Sparrow, Cardinal,

May 23. 1936 Rockdale Sunday.

Went to Arnoldsburg on West Fork, Mt Zion
Collected Fourteen birds. Chipping Sparrow.
Indigo Bunting, Cardinal, Cowbird, Song
Sparrow, White Breasted Nuthatchs 2 of them
& Downy Woodpecker, Cardinal, Redstart
Oriole, Towhee, Pewee, &
saw crows humming birds

May 24, 1936.

General Rest day by order of Wm. Perry go

May 25, 1936.

Set out 80 traps for Microtis & Blarina. Went to White Pine on Laurel Creek in Calhoun County. Traps were set on Kanawha River 5 mi West of Grantsville. Collected. Six birds. Sparrow, Md Yellow Throat, Song Sparrow Pewee, Cowbirds, Robin.

May 26, 1936.

Ran traps on Little Kanawha. 5 mi west of Grantsville. Collected eight birds. 2 crowd Towhee, Red Eyed Vireo Indigo Bunting, Crested Fly catcher, Meadowlark, Wood Thrush. Birds Indigo Bunting, Song Sparrow, Chipping & Field Sparrow, Hawk. Crows & Chicken Quail. Crested Fly catcher, Catbird, Chat, Wood Thrush.

It has rained most of the day, all of our birds are soaking wet including ourselves.

May 27, 1936

Picked up traps straightened truck waited for laundry & Left for Philippi at 1:30 p.m. arriving at Philippi about 5:00 P.M. We were unable to find any cabins in this location but by luck while eating meat Mr W. M. C. Bolton who told us of his farm & said we could camp there. The place looked ideal for our purpose so we made camp here. On way to Philippi the following birds were seen, Broadwing & Red Tailed Hawks, Purple Martin, Bank Swallow Barn Swallow, Chimney swift. R.W.B. Bird. Meadowlark, Song Sparrow, Field, Chipping & Vesper Sparrows, Kingbird, Robin, Blue bird Pewee, Crested Flycatcher & Crows.

May 28, 1936.

Straightened Camp. Built fence to keep out cattle, & cleaned Spring. Late in day we made a general survey of area. Birds seen were. Crows, Red tail Hawk, Wood Thrush, Robin, Pewee, Titmice, Crested Flycatchers, Bluebirds, Sparrows, Chickadee. Cedar waxwing. Collected four birds. Redstart. Bl. & White Warbler. Red bellied Woodpecker. Cedar Waxwing.

May 29, 1936.

Left Camp. to collect birds. Collected.
Cedar Waxwing, Crested Fly catchers, Titmice,
Chickadee, Towhee, Red Bellied Woodpecker,
Black & white Warbler, Louisiana Water Thrush.
~~Red Start. Birds seen.~~ Wood thrush.
Bluebird, Cardinal, Robins, Meadowlark,
Pewee, Vesper Sparrow, Song sparrow Red Head.
Woodpecker. Yellow Bellied Sap Sucker. Set out.
some traps for flying squirrels. Collected 8
birds.

May 30, 1936

Straightened Camp. but unable to do much.
collecting due to ~~to~~ National Holiday. Caught
up. records. Looked at squirrel traps.
Collected 12 birds in afternoon.
Vesper seem to be very abundant here.
Lungeback's Mother, Brother & his Fiancee
arrived from Washington about 2 P. M. for
a week end stay

Sunday. May 31, 1936.

Collected 1 Red Eyed vireo & Skinned & made up 4 flying Squirrels caught night of May 30 also mount up 1 grey squirrel. Saw several flocks of Cedar Waxwings, 1 red headed Woodpecker 1 Y.B. Sapsucker, Flicker, Robin, Bluebird, Kingbird, Broadwing Hawk. Song Sparrow Cardinal. Set out three traps for Flying Squirrels.

June 1. 1936.

Ran Traps & Set Traps in Place known as Steel Rocks for Skunk, Groundhog, Opposum Wood Rats. Collected 9 birds Robin, 1 Kingbird Bluebird, Cowbird, Chipping birds, Pewee, Red Eyed Vireo, Cedar Waxwing.

June 2, 1936

Ran traps. Caught. 1 flying squirrel & 2 wood mice. Collected 12 birds. 2 hairy woodpecker. 2 cardinal, 1 downy woodpecker, 1 flicker, 3 grasshopper sparrows. 1 fly catcher, 1 chipping Sparrow 1 bluebird.

Grass hopper we saw to day are the first observed

June 3, 1936

Ran traps caught 2 flying Squirrels. collected one rabbit. Collected 2 bewicks wrens & 1 house wren. Saw meadowlark, hawk, Chipping Sparrow Flicker, Thrasher, Towhee, Chipmunk, Killdeer. Horned Lark, Vesper Sparrow, Robin & Wood Thrush. Tit mice,

June 4, 1936

Ran traps caught. 2 flying squirrel. 1 microtis, 1 wood rat 1 weasel.
Collected 5 birds 1 Tufted tit mouse, 1 Fark Sparrow 1 Horned Lark, 1 killdeer, 1 catbird 1 cedar waxwing.

June 5, 1936

Took up traps & collected birds caught. 2 flying squirrels, 1 chipmunk. collected 1 grey squirrel, 1 chipmunk. 1 rabbit.
Collected 3 birds 1 cedar Waxwing 1 Indigo Bunting, 1 hooded warbler.

June 6, 1936

Broke camp & went to Boatsville to investigate reports of an ancient road bed or work of ancient man as reported by Samuel Shingleton of Cove Dist. On the Farm of A. K. Mills. on Cove Run Creek. & found this was worth another investigation. Took pictures & sample of rocks.

Had car Serviced & greased. Then left for Richwood the entrance to Cranberry Glades. Arrived at Northern Hotel about 7:00 P.M. approximately 25 miles.

Birds seen. Crows, Purple Grackle, R.W.B. Bird, Meadowlark, Robins, Horned lark. Song Sparrow, Chipping Sparrow, Wood Thrush. Flicker, Woodcock, Wrens / of these collected near Boatsville.

Sunday. June 7, 1936

Went to church. Skinned & made up 2 Wrens. Assorted laundry & caught up on Notes & Letters.

June 8, 1936.

Left Hotel & went to Rangers office for permission to enter Cranberry Glades. Stopped at A & P. Store for Groceries & at P.O. to have mail held. Then proceeded to Glades, 26 miles from Richwood. Went to Cabin, that Ranger wish us to use, straighten & arranged Cabin. Then left for Glades to set traps & collect birds. Collected 7 birds. Birds seen, Red Tail Hawk, 1 kingfisher, Hairy woodpecker, Titlees, Robins, 2 thrushes, Catbirds Rosbreasted grosbeaks, Cedar Waxwing Chicadee Song sparrows crows, Grouse drumming Barred Hooting in Glades & saw groundhog & what appeared to be a mink, or Red squirrel.
Set about 60 snappers & 3 for groundhog.

June 9, 1936.

Went to Glades where traps were set 4 miles and 5 tenths from forks of Cranbary River. Caught. 1 red squirrel, 4 shrews, 2 microtus 1 red Backed mouse. While near traps collected 1 maryland yellow throat. Cedar waxwings were abundant & collected 1 female. Then left for ~~Kenoon~~ Mt. Kennison mountain running in alt 3750 to 4000 ft. while at about 3700 feet collected. 2 grouse, 2 juncos, 1 scarlet tanger, 1 vireo bird, while on top saw 2 raven but unable to collect due to thick undergrowth This mountain thickly forested with Spruce & Birch. No juncos found on top. but seen to nest about 3700 ft. Vireos heard but notable to collect. While on Kennison Mt. we noticed several large areas which appeared to be plowed fields in the glades These were seen from tree tops that we climbed while getting our locations.

We saw where a Bear had made its bed in a crotch of a beech tree, bears are apparently very common here.

We heard what I believe to be a puma call.

June 10, 1936

Ran trap line in Glades. Caught 2 red backed mice 1 rabbit, 1 ground hog, 7 shrews 3 white footed mice 1 red squirrel. Increased traps about 30 on side of hill from glades. ~~total~~ Collected in general while changing + setting more traps. 2 canadan, 1 magnolia warblers, 3 water thrushes, saw Blue Jays Flickers, 2 doves, Robins, Catbird, very abundant. Grouse very plentiful also ground hog. Signs of Black Bear & Bear tracks very abundant in all explored areas. Heard Wild cat in mountains near cabin. Saw Pair of Woodcock-

June 11, 1936

Ran traps caught. 9 shrews, 2 wood mice 1 red squirrel. Went into glades to find what the fields were that we saw on June 9, + found them to be 2 huge fields of ~~mosses~~ of various colors + kinds. One field had large mounds of moss that were abundant with mouse holes + runs around these fields were lots of Spruce trees. These glades nos 1 + 2 were scarce of bird life glade #1 had many pairs of swamp sparrows 3 birds were collected. Collected 1 B. Throated Green warbler. 1 song sparrow 1 Hairy wood pecker, Lot of Bear & coon tracks were seen. Crows, Flickers, Grouse, Robins were seen. We were running low on gas so had to make a trip into Richwood 26 miles from Forks. + procured 2 - five gallon cans. for gas reserve

June 12, 1936

Ran traps, caught 3 shrews, & set 90 traps in Moss Glade #2. while in glade collected 1 canada Warbler, 1 Cedar Bird, 1 song sparrow 1 chesnut sided warbler, 1 wood thrush, 1 swamp sparrow, saw many flickers. Then went upper end of glade on East end. & saw & heard many wrens which appeared to be house wrens was able to collect one due their wariness. saw one Indigo Bunting & collected it, this is the only one seen as yet. collected one grouse that we thought was a male bird but in skinning it found it to be a female. collect 1 one Northern robin saw an owl with his head out of a hole in tree shot it but it fell back in hole so we cut the tree down to get it. this seem to be a Dm. Richardsons. Owl. (Acadian)

June 13, 1936,

Ran trapsline. Caught one Snowshoe Rabbit. 1 mouse? 1 flying squirrel? 7 microtus & 1 larina. Went through swamp & found 2 more glade one of which runs N.E. by S.W. and appears to be a mile long & a half mile wide covered with dry moss & few spruce trees. while on glade # 3 we heard wrens & spent several hours collecting them, were able to collect 2 adults & 2 young from nest in hollow tree. very abundant, collected a pair of Blue Headed vireo 1 fly catcher, 1 chickadee, 1 field sparrow Increased flying squirrel traps to 1 dozen more saw general run of birds as previously seen We have had much difficulty, making up specimens due to insect know as the Midge in spite of all the manufactured Repellent we have only had relief at night under our fine mosquito nets.

Sunday June 14, 1936.

Ran trap line caught 1 chipmunk, 3 shrews 1 least shrew, (1 microtus in glade #2) Increased traps in glade #2 by 30 traps for rabbits & mice set 12 more flying squirrel traps on N.E. end of glades. Saw fresh signs of bear & General run of Birds. Repaired shock absorber on truck.

June 15, 1936.

Ran traps caught 1 shrew, 1 red backed mouse 4 microtus 3 ~~Peromyscus~~, 1 red squirrel 1 chipmunk, Collected 1 house wren, 1 canada warbler, 2 indigo bunting, 1 B. Thr. Blue, 1 magnolia warbler, 1 red eyed vireo 1 ovenbird 1 towhee, 1 tanager-Scarlet ♀ 1 cuckoo. Saw general run of birds & 2 bunny rabbits.

June 16, 1936.

Ran traps caught 2 microtus 2 blarina, 3 wood mice, 1 red squirrel. Collected 2 wrens, 1 golden wing warbler, 1 Bluebird 1 field sparrow, 1 fly catcher. 2 Brown ~~thrashers~~. 2 robins, 1 red wing B. Bird, 1 red tail hawk. ~~1 flicker~~ Saw general run of birds & Ruffgrouse

June 17, 1936.

Ran traps & moved all traps to long Glade Caught 3 red squirrels, 1 Chipmunk, 2 wood mice, 1 long tailed Shrew. & On account of time spent on moving traps & rebaiting traps in other sections only two birds were collected 1 flicker, 1 Blueheaded vireo. ~~also~~ This bird has white crown. Also set 6 squirrel scylers for mink, 3 ~~traps~~ for raccoon. ~~these~~ 2 for groundhog. This makes every available trap on the trap line. General run of birds seen.

June 18, 1936

Ran traps. caught one microtus & one star nosed mole in log glade, one ground hog & one rabbit, one red squirrel, one wood rat. Collected one maryland yellow throat, 1 black throated blue warbler 2 junco, one catbird (in glades) 3 rose breasted grosbeaks, 1 flicker, 1 crow. Went to town for mail & gas. Owing to rain had to reset all wooden traps. The wooden traps have proven very useless in all areas of West Va. because of the evening rains. It only takes one drop of rain to set them off. also dampness will set them off. General run of birds seen.

June 19, 1936

Ran traps. caught. 1 weasel 1 red backed mouse 2 wood mice, 2 shrews, set flying squirrel trap on Cranberry Mt 3800 ft alt. Collected 1 downy & 1 hairy woodpecker 1 gold finch on Cranberry Mt & 1 red eyed vireo. Along Cranberry River collected 2 catbirds & 1 yellow bellied sapsucker. General run of birds seen.

June 20, 1936

Ran traps. caught one long-tailed shrew & two red squirrels. Took up traps in glades & ~~on~~ woods near glades. Then went to Black Mt. alt 4680 at Fire Tower. Collected 1 Maryland Yellow Throat 1 Mourning Warbler ?, 1 female Purple Finch 1 Towhee, 5 Juncos (very abundant) 1 Grosbeak 1 B. T. Green, & Chestnut Sided. & One Red Squirrel. On way to traps collected 6 catbirds these were collected because of the difference in the under tail coverts. On Cranberry Mt collected 1 Downy woodpecker. & 1 Chipmunk. Birds seen on Black Mountain. Same wrens also are seen in glades. shot several but unable to find due to heavy underbrush & rocks. Catbird, Robins, Junco by the hundreds. Sparrow? Kinglets

Sunday.

June 21, 1936.

Ran traps on Cranberry Mountain & took up remaining traps. caught 1 Jumping mouse 1 white footed mouse. 1 red squirrel, 1 wood rat, One flying squirrel on Cranberry Mt. Made up mammals & birds from June 20th & 21st.

Mr. Eger sent ~~three~~ four members of the Appalachian Hikers & Lab from Washington up to us to show them the Glades which we did

They then left us to go over Kennison Mountain and was suppose to return to our cabin about six P. M.

When they didn't show by 11 P.M. we became worried and started to see if we could locate them we first reported their absence to the C.C.C camp.

Finally they turned up about 5 a. m. on 22nd. they had lost their way.

June 22, 1936.

Packed specimens & repacked truck, cleaned cabin & left for Richwood where we stayed for the night at Northern Hotel.
It being to late to continue on to Dunbin which is about 135 from Richwood

June 23, 1936

Left for Cheat Mountain by way of Dunbin & saw the Ranger, Mr Mauk who told us where to camp at Cheatbridge. We made camp at Mr Croners place.
In evening we collected six birds, set mammal traps on Cheat Mountain. Owing to the severe raining weather & Punkies we slept at Mr Croners house.
While going thru Richland saw Redheaded woodpeckers, grackles, Brown thrashers, Mockingbirds & tryed to collect but not able to due to it being thickly settled. collected one purple grackle immature.

June 24, 1936.

Ran traps caught one hairy tailed mole.
collected 7 birds. Weather still exceedingly
cold & raining. Neighbors ~~expecting~~ snow.
Saw a song sparrow at Wheat
Bridge and heard one wren

Carleton saw one brown creeper
but was unable to collect it

June 25, 1936

Ran traps caught 11 mammals.
collected 9 birds. Weather still bad.
We have seen more black throated
blue warblers and blue headed
vireo on Wheat Mt. than any other
area

June 26, 1936.

Ran traps caught 13 mammals. Collected 7 birds - Weather was cold. so cold in fact that we were wearing over coats & gloves to collect in.

The weather has been very rainy and cold since we have been here. The clouds are on the ground.

June 27, 1936.

Ran traps caught 8 mammals & took up traps. Collected 5 birds Saw 4 Heavens on Cheat Mt. Left for Durbin & went to Rangers office to find place to camp near Thornwood. Ranger gave us cabin on Middle Mountain 4 miles north of Thornwood. Collected 3 birds, & set traps.

Mr. Maule sent an assistant ranger with ~~some~~ us whose name ~~was~~ is Warden Rose to help us get located. There are quit a few juncos around the cabin

Saw a pair red tail hawks.

Mr. Mathews Pratt joined us about 3 P. M.

About 5 miles south of cabin we saw about a dozen buzzards.

June 28, 1936.

Ran traps & caught 5 mammals. Skinned & made up. & ~~was joined later by Dr Mathews Party~~

Packed some of our specimens

June 29, 1936

Ran traps. caught. 3 mammals & collected 22 birds. among them were Wrens. saw 2 barred owl & collected one. Wrens were abundant. appeared to be same as ones from Cranberry Glades.

Maryland yellow throats are more plentiful than any other area

Chimney Swifts were seen near the Blister Swamp. ? Other birds seen one kingfisher, robins young turkey blue jays cat birds field sparrows swamp sparrows yellow bellied sapsuckers Juncos Canada warblers black throated blue warblers, flickers, chickadees grouse and blue headed vireos

June 30, 1936

Ran Traps. collected 6 birds. ash place known as the Big Burn. Went to town for groceries & packed specimens for shipping. Set out new trapline.

The Big Burn is a mt range east of the road between Thornwood and Harman which was burned over by a forest fire 40 or 50 years ago now it is covered by grass and a few spruce trees making it an excellent country for vesper sparrows, meadow larks, crows ~~and~~, ravens. and flickers

July 1, 1936.

Ran traps caught 7 mammals. revisited Big Burn in hopes of collecting Buzzards & Ravens collected. 4 birds.

July 2, 1936.

Ran traps caught 5 mammals. collected 9 birds. Kerry go went to Harrisonburg Va to meet Serife & get groceries & checks cashed. Changed traplines.

On my way over to Harrisonburg Va. On Route #250 I saw several Mocking Birds around McDowell Va. Juncos are fairly abundant along Route #250 in West Virginia at all elevations Grackles were plentiful along route #42 between Churchville and Harrisonburg Va.

Left Middle Mountain 8:10 A. M. for Harrisonburg. Road very rough and winding reach Harrisonburg 12:10 P. M. left Harrisonburg 2 P. M. after buying Groceries for Camp. arived at Camp about 6 P. M.

July 3, 1936.

Ran traps caught 2 mammals. collected 6 birds.

Birds seen today blue headed vireos juncos black throated blue, black throated green, chestnut sided Canada and magnolia warblers maryland yellow throat swamp sparrow wrens flickers song sparrows rose breasted grosbeaks

Rained and hailed all night and rained all morning.

July 4, 1936.

Ran traps Caught 3 mammals Collected 13 birds collect in Sinks, Big Burn. while at Sinks saw 1 Golden Eagle, ~~Bar~~ Buzzards, Ravens, Raining in evening.

one morning dove was seen on ~~beaver~~ Beaver Dam Creek this is the only one seen in the entire mountain area Beaver Dam area is a state game Refuge perhaps this may have been introduced

wrens are abundant on/on Beaver Dam Creek There is several pairs redwing black birds there also

Sunday.

July 5, 1936.

Ran traps. Skinned & made up specimen from the 4th. Rained all day.

July 6, 1936.

Took up traps. Went to Harman. But found territory not so good for collection. We drove around all country trying to find suitable collecting grounds. Collected 9 birds.

In the vicinity of Harman the land is chopped up into small farms this area is not so good for collecting we drove north of Harman to Red Creek and saw towhees, king birds, robins, vireos brown thrashes. We then drove north to Canaan Valley where it usually frost every month of the year as we drove over a hill before entering the Valley we noticed several birds such as wrens, robins, field sparrows King birds and collected several. This hill is known to the natives as Lanigans Hill.

In the Valley we saw quit a few barn swallows

About Six miles south Harman saw Two ravens and collected one

July 7, 1936.

Set traps on Rich Mt. 6 miles south of Harman, collected 9 birds.

Birds are very scarce here. Red eye vireos are common. two ravens were seen unable to collect saw several black throated blue warblers

July 8, 1936.

Ran traps caught one shrew. collected 3 birds.

Mammal seem to be scarce on ~~on~~ this end of the forest this has been hunt over in later than where we have been collecting.

July 9, 1936.

Ran traps caught one mammal & took up all traps & packed up birds & truck. to leave for Washington D.C.

July 10. 1936

Finished packing up truck cleaned and straightened up cabin and left Cabin about 8 4/5 a. m. for our return trip to Washington
On our way to the C.C. Camp near Thornwood we saw a raven which we tried unsuc to shoot.
we saw the usual grouse standing in the road.
After reaching the C.C. Camp. we took Route #28 to #250. East on #250 to Church then north on #12 to Harrisonburg along route #12 we noticed the mocking birds which we only saw about 3 in whole W. Va. these we saw near Richland W. Va. along #12 they were comonon
We also noticed a great many grackles which were very scarce in W. Va.
arrived in Harrisonburgh about 1 1/5 P. M. The distants from our camp to Harrisonburg being about 95 miles Had lunch and then left for Washington by way of Luray and Warren had take it easy because of sun melting tar on road didn't want to get it on car. arrived in Washington about 6 1/5 P. M.